

## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

### **1. Amendments**

Applicants have amended Claims 79 and 81 as requested by the Examiner to correct the antecedent basis of the claims. No new matter is being added by these amendments. Claims 77, 79-81 and 83- 96 are now pending in the application.

### **2. Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph**

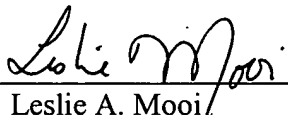
Claim 81 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for allegedly failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicants regard as their invention. Specifically, the recitation of "said polypeptide linker" in claim 81 has no antecedent basis in base claim 77. Applicants have amended claim 81 to recite "said IgG heavy chain constant region sequence and IgE heavy chain constant region sequence are connected via a polypeptide linker". Support for this amendment can be found in claims 77 and 79. Since claim 79 now depends from claim 80 which, in turn, depends from claim 81, Applicants have also amended claim 79 to be consistent. Entry of these amendments is respectfully requested.

Applicants believe that this application is in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner find that there are any further issues outstanding, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney to arrange the time for a personal interview. Please direct any calls in connection with this application to the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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